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# SONIC

## THE HEDGEHOG



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Once a virtual paradise, the planet **Nebius** was enslaved when conquered by the techno-evil of **Doctor Robotnik**.

In the aftermath, a  **courageous group of "Freedom Fighters"** rose to restore the order and beauty that was once theirs.

The greatest among them is the **fastest and way-coolest dude on two feet...**  
**SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!**

Years ago, before **Julian of the House of Ivo** became Doctor Ivo Robotnik, he secretly experimented with **cyborg technology**.

Since he could never control his creations, Julian declared his experiments as **failures**. However, Julian found the technology he was always looking for: the **roboticization process** created by Sir Charles Hedgehog.

Julian stole the process, made it his own and used it to conquer a kingdom.

Though Robotnik is gone, his evil legacy lives on as one of his failed cyborg experiments is reawakened...





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3 Giggles ANTOINE'S RIGHT? - YOU ARE "ZEE MOST INFURIATING"! WHY DON'T YOU EASE UP A LITTLE AND LET HIM CATCH UP?

WHAT? AND CAUTIOUSLY GO WHERE NO HEDGEHOG'S GONE BEFORE? NOT A CHANCE, SALLY! I LIVE TO HURL HEADLONG INTO THE FACE OF...

I JUST PUT MY FOOT IN MY MOUTH, DIDN'T I?



...DANGER!

SCREEEECH!!



DON'T WORRY-- THERE'S PLENTY OF ROOM FOR BOTH OF THEM!



UNREAL! WHAT ARE THE EGGBOYS UP TO?

THEY'RE ONTO SOMETHING ALRIGHT... AND THEY'VE BROUGHT THE MEGA HARDWARE TO DIG IT UP. MAYBE IF WE'RE VERY QUIET WE CAN...







THERE'S A STRONG  
ENERGY SIGNATURE  
FROM A SECOND ORIGIN  
POINT.

WHAT'S THIS? IT  
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE  
ANY GENERATOR I'VE  
SEEN BEFORE.

IF I DIDN'T  
KNOW BETTER, I'D  
SAY IT WAS SOME  
SORT OF  
CRYPT...

ZIS EES ZEE  
PROBLEM YOU HAVE  
--CONFUSING ZEE  
BRAVERY WITH ZEE  
IDIOCY!

I AM **NOT** ZEE  
CHICKEN! I JUST  
THINK WE SHOULD  
CONSIDER ALL OUR  
OPTIONS BEFORE  
JUMPING INTO ZEE  
FRAY.

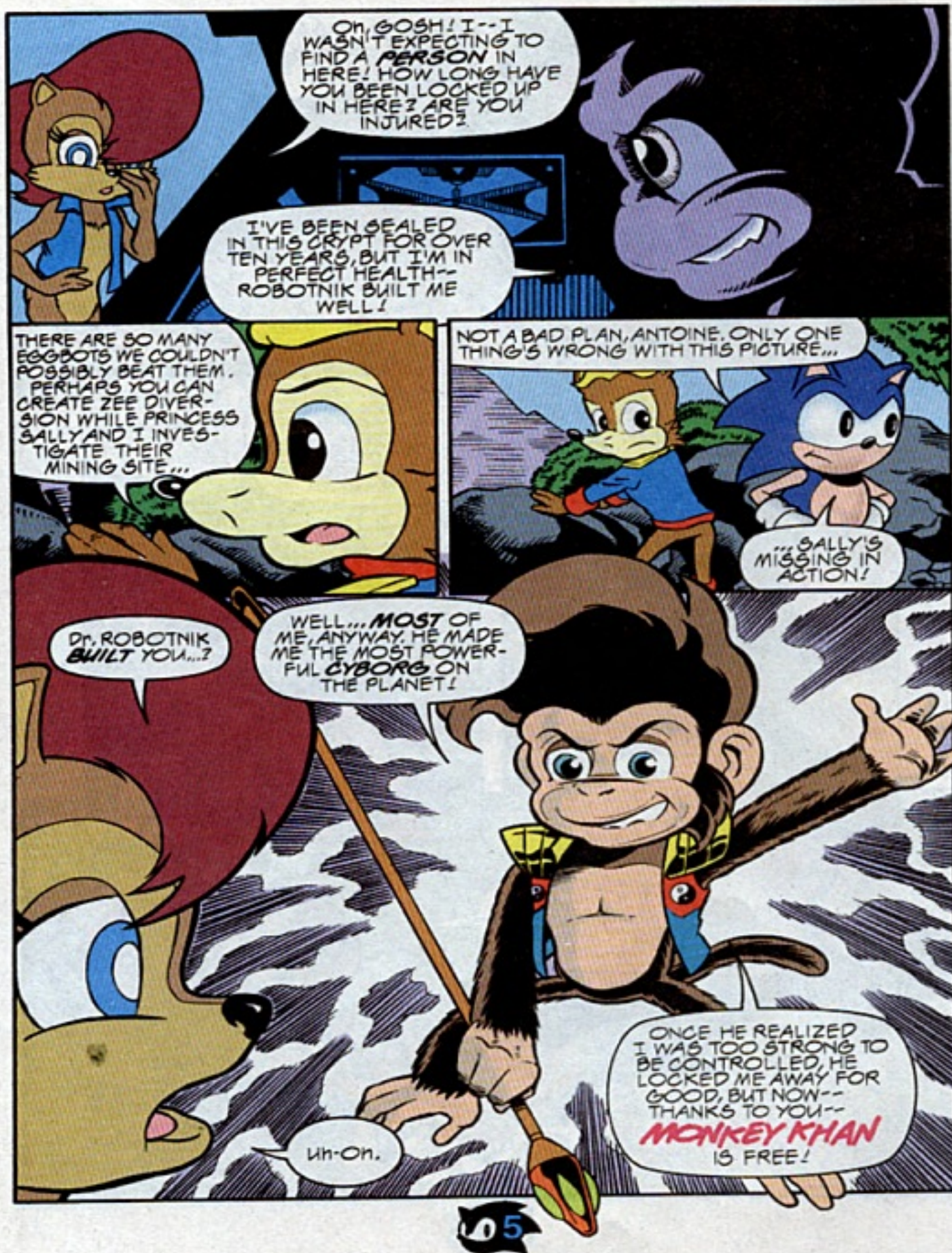
YOU KNOW  
I HATE IT  
WHEN YOU HIT  
ME WITH  
LOGIC...!

SOUNDS TO  
ME LIKE ONE  
OF US IS  
CHICKEN!

MANAGED TO  
CRACK THE SENSOR-  
LOCK. NOW IT'S JUST  
A MATTER OF OPENING  
THE DOOR.

3G4U1T2: WHATEVER IS  
IN HERE MUST BE PRETTY  
DARN VALUABLE, TO BE  
SO STRONGLY SECURED.





OH, GOSH! I--I  
WASN'T EXPECTING TO  
FIND A **PERSON** IN  
HERE! HOW LONG HAVE  
YOU BEEN LOCKED UP  
IN HERE? ARE YOU  
INJURED?

I'VE BEEN SEALED  
IN THIS CRYPT FOR OVER  
TEN YEARS, BUT I'M IN  
PERFECT HEALTH--  
ROBOTNIK BUILT ME  
WELL!

THERE ARE SO MANY  
EGGBOOTS WE COULDN'T  
POSSIBLY BEAT THEM.  
PERHAPS YOU CAN  
CREATE ZEE DIVER-  
SION WHILE PRINCESS  
SALLY AND I INVESTI-  
GATE THEIR  
MINING SITE...

NOT A BAD PLAN, ANTOINE. ONLY ONE  
THING'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE...

...SALLY'S  
MISSING IN  
ACTION!

DR. ROBOTNIK  
BUILT YOU...?

WELL... **MOST** OF  
ME, ANYWAY. HE MADE  
ME THE MOST POWER-  
FUL **CYBORG** ON  
THE PLANET!

Uh-Oh.

ONCE HE REALIZED  
I WAS TOO STRONG TO  
BE CONTROLLED, HE  
LOCKED ME AWAY FOR  
GOOD, BUT NOW--  
THANKS TO YOU--  
**MONKEY KHAN**  
IS FREE!



MEANWHILE, AT THE  
DEVIL'S GULAG...

# MONKEY MADNESS

CHAPTER  
2

REPORT IN, DRILL  
UNIT. YOUR MASTER  
SNIVELY GROWS  
IMPATIENT.

ARE YOU  
PROGRESSING  
ON SCHEDULE OR  
ARE YOU PLANNING  
ON TWIDDLING  
YOUR THUMBS  
ALL DAY?

PRIMARY-TASK-  
IS-ACCOMPLISHED--  
THE-ATOM-DRILL-HAS-  
SUCCESSFULLY-PENE-  
TRATED-THE-OUTER-  
CRUST.

POWERSOURCE-  
LOCATED-IN-SUB-  
TERRANEAN-  
STREAM...

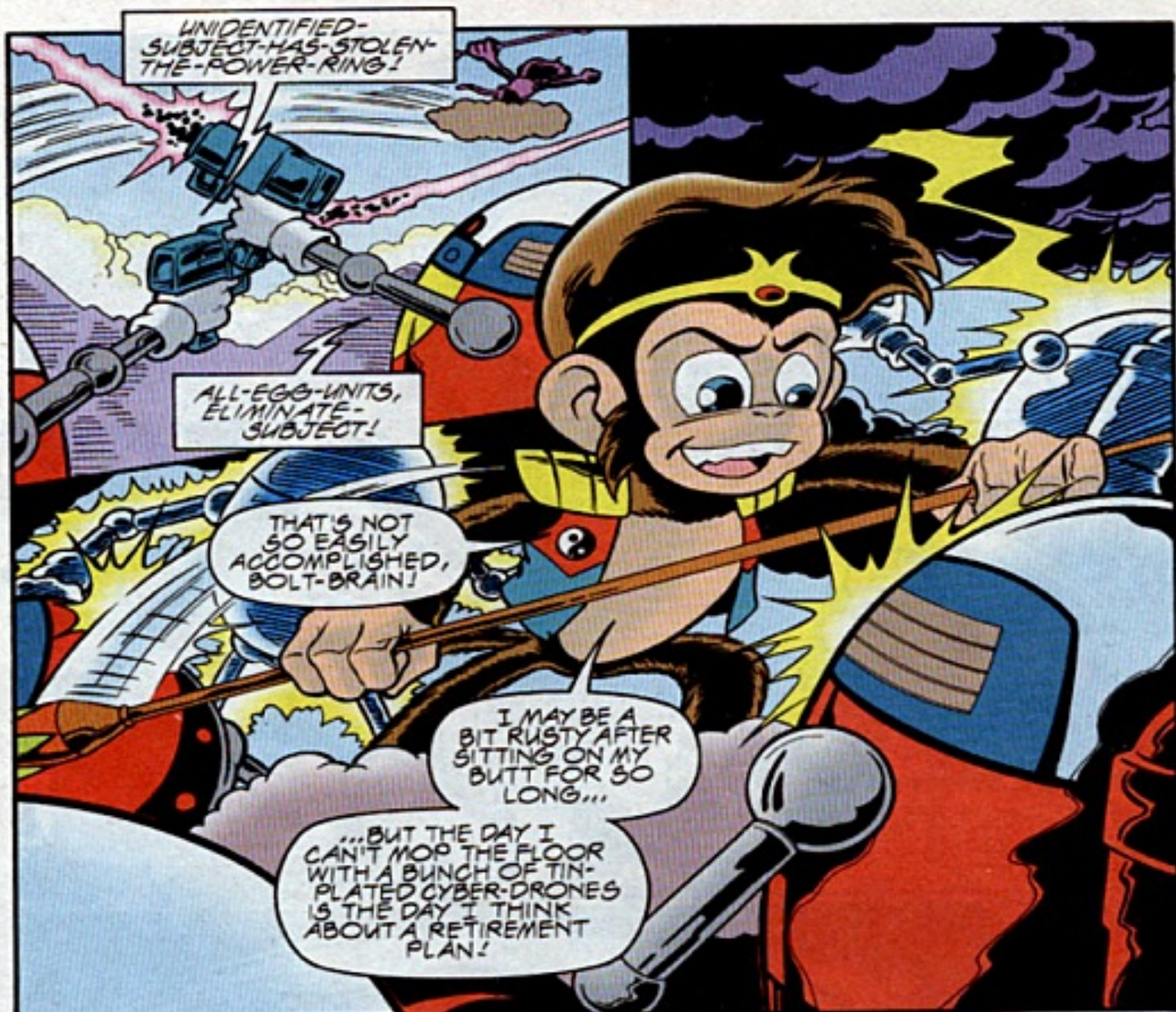
...ADVANCE-  
SPECULATION-CON-  
FIRMED: A POWER-  
RING-OF-IMMENSE-  
PROPORTIONS! COM-  
MENCING-REMOVAL-  
PROCEDURES-NOW.

POWER RING? I  
DID'NT WANT A POWER  
RING! I WANTED YOU  
TO FIND IXIS NAUGUS'  
POWER SIGNATURE!!!









UNIDENTIFIED-  
SUBJECT-HAS-STOLEN-  
THE-POWER-RING!

ALL-EGG-UNITS,  
ELIMINATE-  
SUBJECT!

THAT'S NOT  
SO EASILY  
ACCOMPLISHED,  
BOLT-BRAIN!

I MAY BE A  
BIT RUSTY AFTER  
SITTING ON MY  
BUTT FOR SO  
LONG...

...BUT THE DAY I  
CAN'T MOP THE FLOOR  
WITH A BUNCH OF TIN-  
PLATED CYBER-DRONES  
IS THE DAY I THINK  
ABOUT A RETIREMENT  
PLAN!

BUT WHY GET BOGGED  
DOWN WITH SUCH MUNDANE  
CONCERNS, WHEN THERE'S  
A POSSIBLE STAND JUST  
WAITING TO BE BLOWN...  
TO BITS?

SUBJECT-HAS-  
DESTROYED-THE  
ATOM-DRILL! ALL  
UNITS-REGROUP!  
ALL-UNITS...



...OBLITERATED! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! THIS MONKEY KHAN CHARACTER MUST BE STOPPED! HE WON'T CATCH A SECOND EGGBOT SQUAD SO OFF GUARD...

SURLY SIMIAN SHOWOFF! WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS ANYWAYS?

APPARENTLY, HE'S A CYBORG CREATED BY ROBOTNIK, A LONG TIME AGO, BUT...

ROBOTNIK?!?

THAT'S ALL I NEED TO HEAR! IF BUTTNIK BUILT HIM, HE CAN'T BE UP TO ANY GOOD. BELIEVE IT!

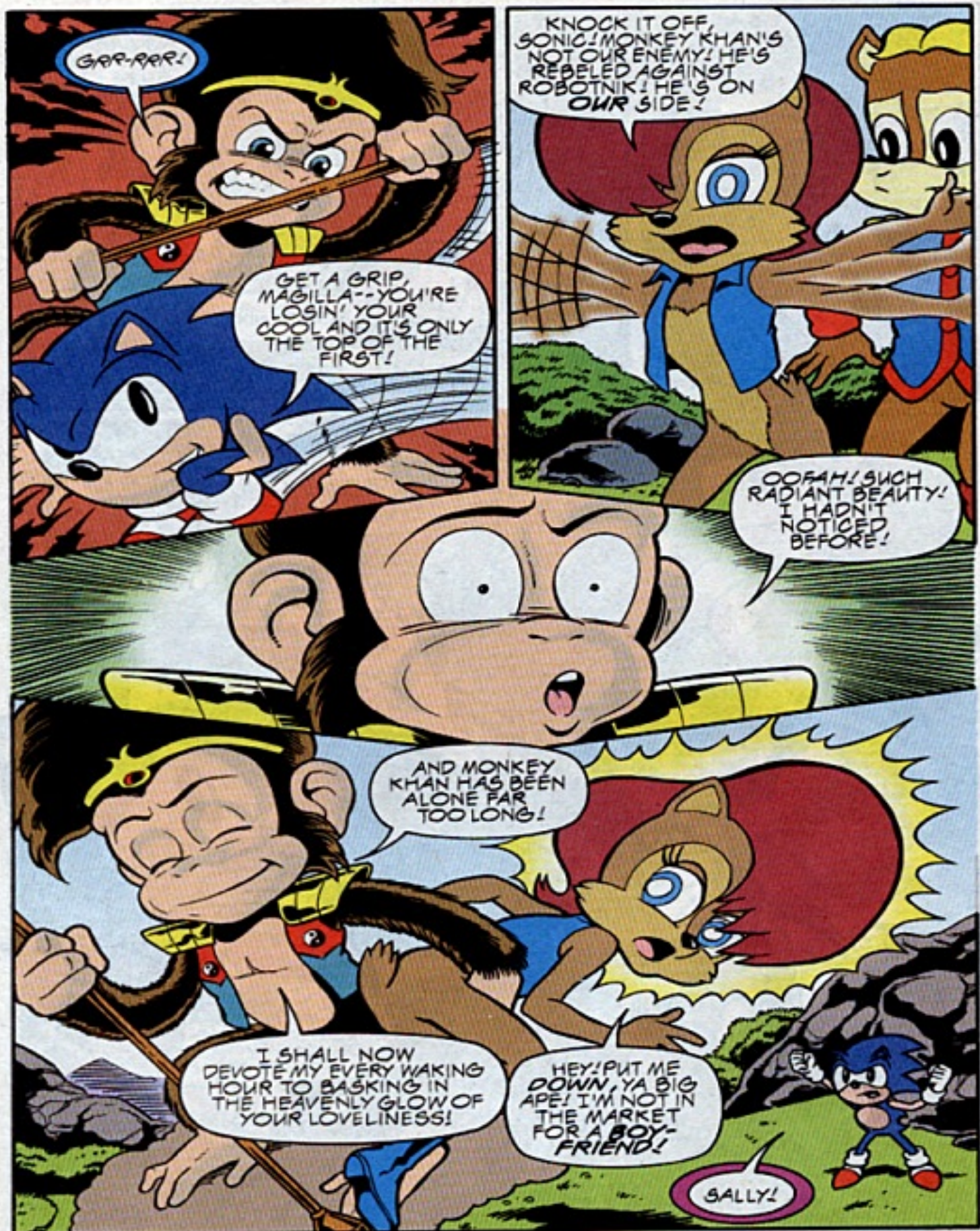
EVEN IF HE DID WASTE ALL THOSE EGGBOTS, I DON'T TRUST HIM!

NO, SONIC! WAIT!

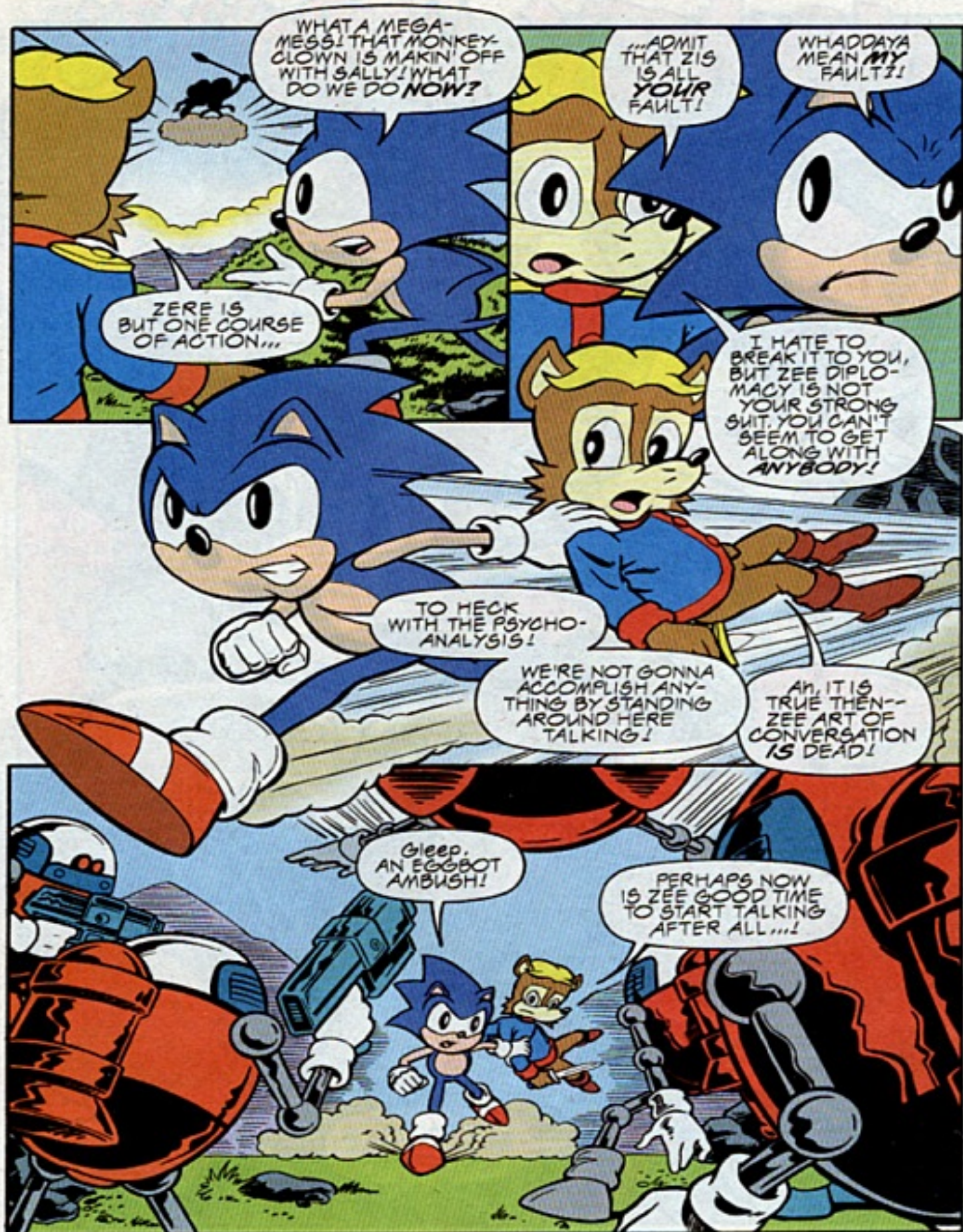
YO, MONKEY-BOY! TIME TO GET SERIOUS-- YOU'RE GOING ONE-ON-ONE WITH THE HOG, NOW!

WHAT TH--? OOF!











# MONKEY MADNESS

CHAPTER  
3

ADMIT IT,  
ANTOINE--THERE  
IS NO SOCIAL  
CRISIS I  
CAN'T EASILY  
HANDLE!

CHECK IT--  
THIS IS WHAT I  
CALL **TWO-  
FISTED DIPLO-  
MACY!** NOT TOO  
SHABBY, HUH?

I SHALL ADMIT  
NO SUCH THING! THIS  
IS ZEE COMPLETELY  
DIFFERENT  
SITUATION!

USUALLY IN  
ZEE DELICATE  
MATTERS SUCH AS  
THIS, ZEE OPPOSING  
PARTIES ARE  
NOT...

...*boomph!*...  
TRYING TO KILL  
EACH OTHER!



# THE FIND YOUR NAME IN PRINT PAGE

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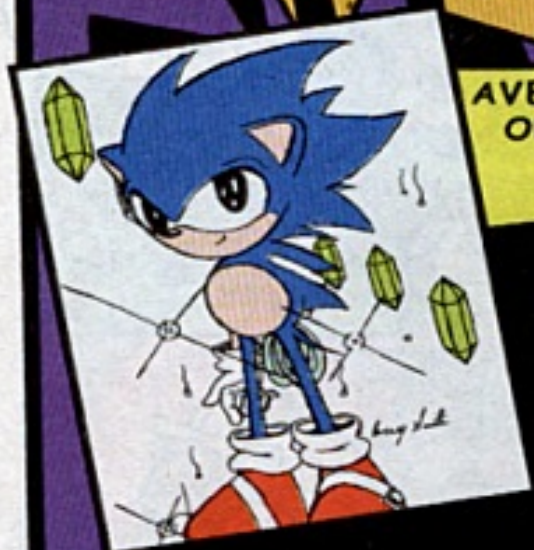
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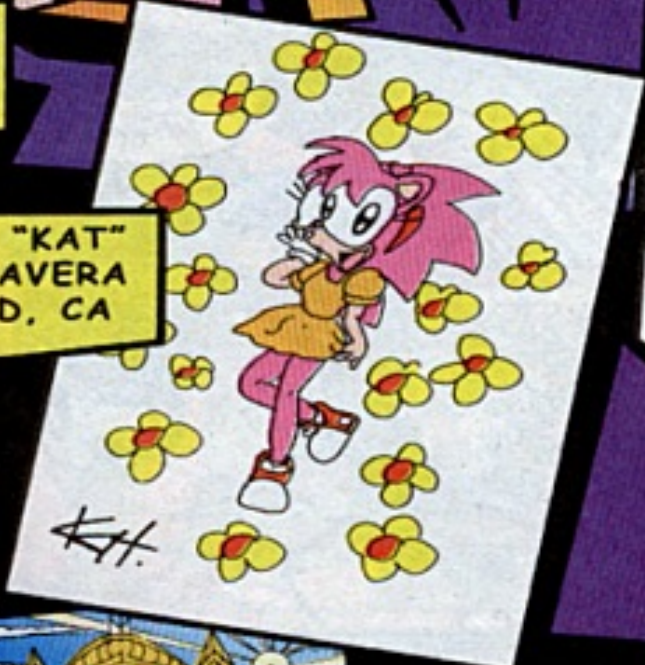
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OH, PUH-LEASE!  
EASE UP ON THE  
YAMMERING-- MY  
EARS CAN ONLY  
TAKE SO MUCH!

YA WIN  
FIGHTS WITH  
YOUR FISTS,  
NOT YOUR  
MOUTH!



YOU SEE?  
THAT IS YOUR  
SOLUTION FOR  
EVERYTHING--  
VIOLENCE!



CUT TO  
THE CHASE,  
ANTOINE--  
WHAT ARE  
YOU TRYING  
TO TELL  
ME?



THAT YOU ARE  
INSUFFERABLE... ANTAG-  
ONISTIC... YOU DON'T  
PLAY WELL WITH OTHERS  
AND...



...AND YOU  
SHOULD WATCH  
YOUR STEP!

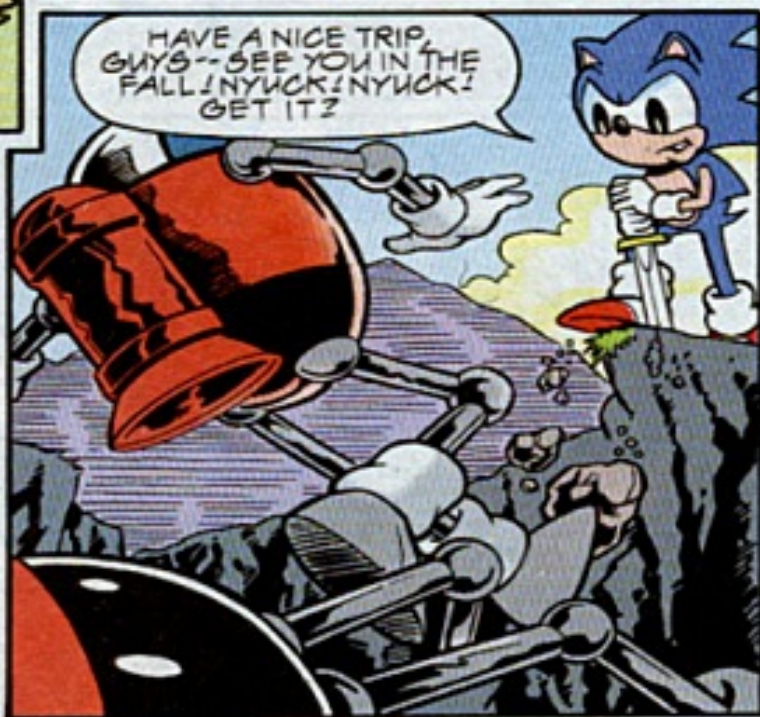
WHOA! THAT WAS  
CLOSE! LUCKY FOR  
ME I DIDN'T TAKE A  
HEADER RIGHT INTO  
THAT PIT!



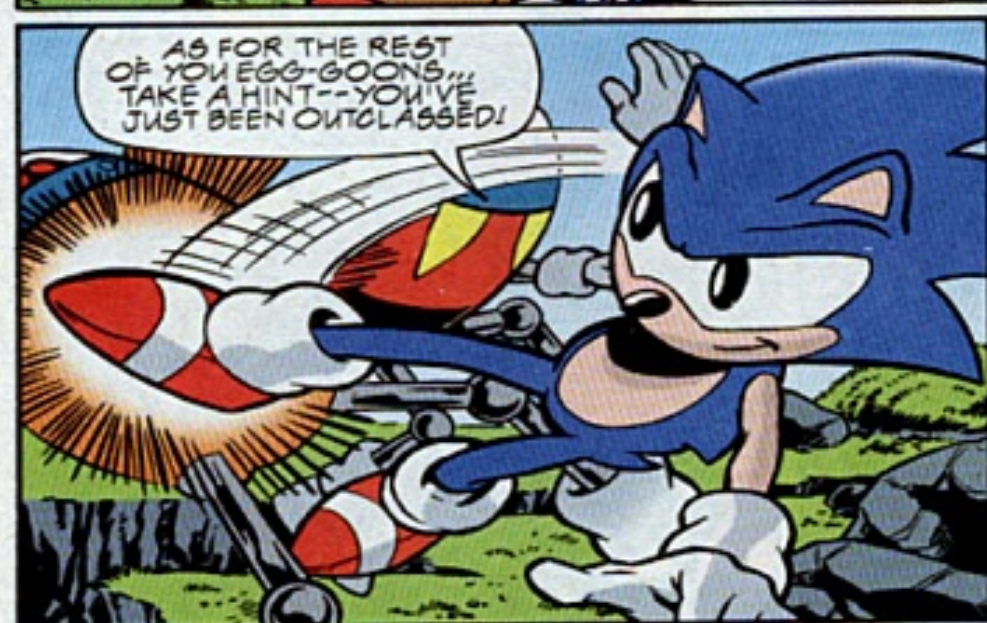
I GET ZEE  
FEELING WE'RE MERELY  
POSTPONING ZEE  
INEVITABLE!

THIS MUST BE  
WHAT THEY CALL A  
"CLIFFHANGER"...











FOR AN OVERBLOWN MANIAC, YOU'VE SURE GOT THE MOVES KHAN!

SEE? DIDN'T I SAY YOU WERE THE OVERBLOWN MANIAC?

AH, BUT YOUR CHANGE OF ZEE ATTITUDE IS MOST APPRECIATED!

SALLY SET ME STRAIGHT! I SHOULDN'T HAVE ACTED OUT OF EXTREME SELF-INTEREST. SHE SAYS YOU AND I ARE QUITE SIMILAR...

WE SHOULD HAVE WORKED TOGETHER FROM THE START!

HEY, WE'RE GOLDEN, BUDDY! YOU AND ME-- WHAT A TEAM! ALL BADDIES LIKE SNIVELY BETTER WATCH THEIR BUTTS!

BELIEVE ME, THAT'S NOT A COMPLIMENT!

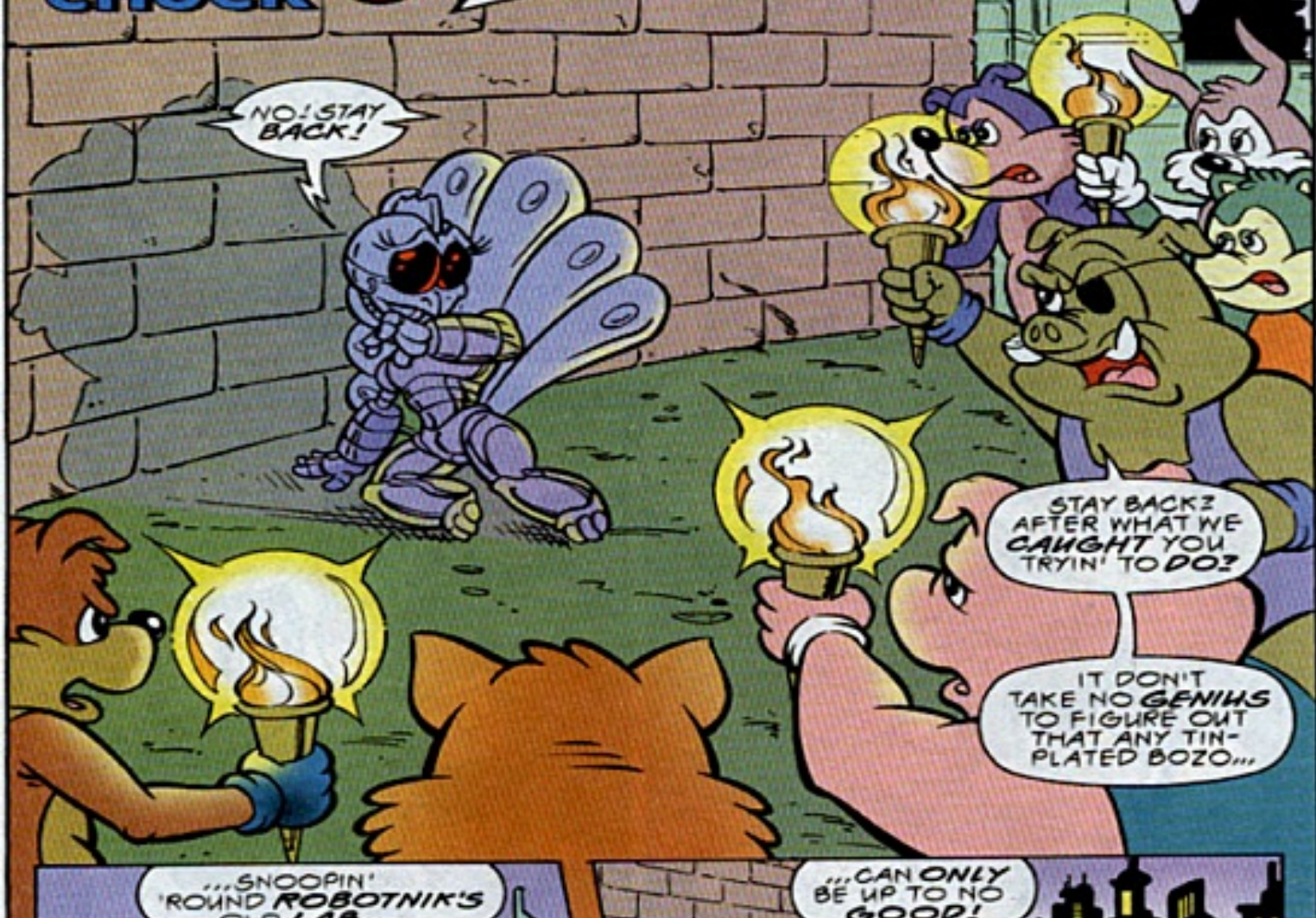
YOU KNOW IT, CHUM! BUT FOR NOW, MONKEY KHAN IS GOING TO ENJOY HIS LONG-AWAITED FREEDOM!

COME TO THINK OF IT, I COULD USE SOME TIME OFF MYSELF!

The End



# UNCLE CHUCK <sup>rise of the</sup> IN ROBBIANS!



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GO AHEAD! TELL HIM HOW  
WE CAUGHT YOU SPYIN'  
'ROUND ROBOTNIK'S LAB!

IT'S OFF-LIMITS  
TO EVERYONE!

I ONLY  
WENT THERE  
ON A DARE  
FROM MY  
FRIENDS!

THERE, THERE  
FANNY! NOW THAT'S  
A REASONABLE  
ENOUGH EXPLANATION  
FOR YOU, ISN'T IT,  
TUSK?

NO, IT  
AIN'T, YOU  
METAL-  
HEADED  
MORON!

YOU RUST-POTS  
CAN'T BE TRUSTED! IT  
WASN'T SO LONG AGO  
THAT ROBOTNIK HAD  
YOU LOSERS LIKE  
PUPPETS ON A STRING!

I SAY WE  
TAKE THIS HUBBUB  
BEFORE PRINCESS  
SALLY ACORN  
RIGHT NOW!

LET  
HER SETTLE  
IT!

AGREED!



AS NIGHT BRINGS  
HER DARKNESS TO  
CASTLE ACORN...

...ONCE THE HEADQUARTERS  
OF TECHNO-GENIUS, DR. ROBOTNIK...

...SO TOO DO THE TWO  
QUARRELING PARTIES--  
MOBIAN AND ROBBIAN--  
BRING THEIR PRESENCE  
TO ITS THRONE ROOM.

WHERE IN BLUE  
BLAZES IS THE PRINCESS,  
ANYWAYS? WE'VE BEEN  
WAITIN' HERE A WHOLE FIVE  
MINUTES ALREADY!

AND YOU'LL WAIT FIVE  
HOURS IF NEED BE, YOU LOOT!  
FUTHERMORE, YOU'LL SHOW  
RESPECT WHEN IN THE ROYAL  
PALACE OR BE ESCORTED OUT!

NOW, WHAT'S ALL  
THE COMMOTION?

AFTER A BRIEF  
RECAPITULATION...

...THAT'S THE  
WHOLE STORY,  
ST. JOHN!

THE PRINCESS IS AWAY  
ON A MISSION\* SO THIS MATTER  
MUST BE POSTPONED!

\*See main story. --JFG

THERE WILL BE NO NEED  
FOR THAT, GEOFFREY!

Huh?!

WHAT?!





I AM STILL THE KING OF MOBOTROPOLIS, AFTER ALL. IS THAT NOT CORRECT?



W-WHY Y-YEAH K-KING A-ACORN...

O-OF COURSE, S-S-SIRE...



VERY WELL. LET US CONTINUE THEN, SHALL WE?

PERHAPS YOU SHOULD BE RESTING, MY LIEGE. AFTER ALL YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH...

NONSENSE, ST. JOHN! I WON'T HEAR OF IT. NOW HELP ME TO MY THRONE.

YES, MY LIEGE...

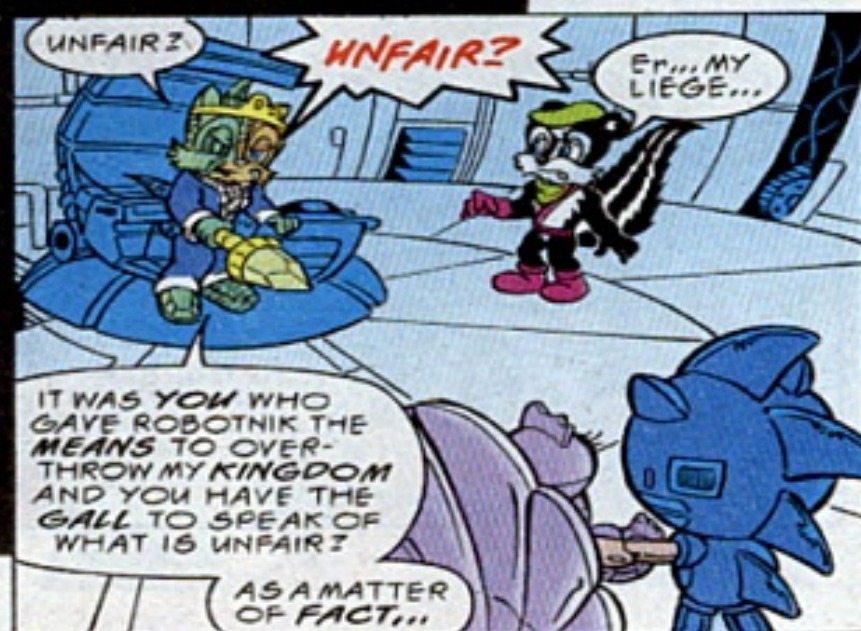


I HAVE OVER-HEARD THE ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS...



"...AND HAVE COME TO A DECISION."













BUT THEN...



COME IN, FREEDOM FIGHTERS! THERE'S TROUBLE ON THE FLOATING ISLAND! WE NEED YOUR HELP!



YOU EVER HAVE ONE OF THOSE DAYS WHERE YOU WONDER WHY YOU GOT OUTTA BED IN THE FIRST PLACE?

DON'T MISS KNUCKLES#9 TO CHECK OUT WHAT'S SHAKING UP ON THE FLOATING ISLE!!



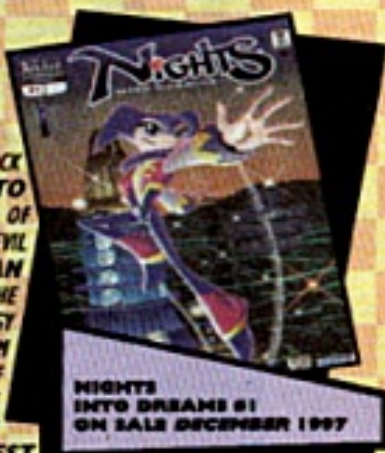
# SONIC-GRAMS

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## THIS JUST IN!

### A NEW HERO IN TOWN!

**IN ONE WEEK: BE THE FIRST ON YOUR BLOCK TO GET THE FIRST PREMIERE ISSUE OF NIGHTS INTO DREAMS #1 (OF 3)! IN THE WORLD OF NIGHTOPIA WHERE DREAMS ARE PLAYED OUT, AN EVIL BEING IS GAINING TREMENDOUS POWER. HE IS WIZEMAN THE WICKED, AND THROUGH HIS CREATIONS THE NIGHTMAREN, HE CAPTURES PRECIOUS DREAM ENERGY FROM HUMANS. IF HE IS NOT STOPPED, HE WILL RISE FROM THE SUBCONSCIOUS AND ENTER OUR WORLD. IF THAT WERE TO HAPPEN, NO POWER ON EARTH WOULD BE ABLE TO STOP HIM. BUT THERE IS ONLY ONE THING WIZEMAN NEEDS TO COMPLETE HIS PLANS, THE RAREST DREAM ENERGY THAT CAN ONLY BE WIELDED BY THE TWO PERFECT DREAMERS EVERY HUNDRED YEARS. IN THIS CENTURY, THEY ARE ELLIOT EDWARDS AND CLARIS SINCLAIR. NIGHTS, A FORMER HENCHMAN OF WIZEMAN,**



NIGHTS INTO DREAMS #1  
ON SALE DECEMBER 1997



KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #9  
ON SALE DECEMBER 1997

**MANAGED TO ESCAPE HIS GRASP AND BECOME A FORCE FOR GOOD. HE WILL COME TO THE AID OF CLARIS AND ELLIOT IN THE LAND OF NIGHTOPIA. TOGETHER, THEY HOPE TO DEFEAT WIZEMAN AND HIS EVIL NIGHTMAREN. BUT WILL THEY BE ENOUGH TO SAVE THE WORLD? WRITTEN BY DAN SLOTT WITH ART BY SPAZ, MANNY AND HARVO. DON'T MISS IT! ON SALE DECEMBER 1997!**

**IN TWO WEEKS: THE CONCLUSION OF "THE DARK VENGEANCE" STORY LINE. WITNESS KNUCKLES' BIGGEST CHALLENGE YET AS HE IS TAKEN APART MOLECULE BY MOLECULE COURTESY OF THE POWER OF ENERJAK! BEHOLD THE INVASION INTO ECHIDNAOPOLIS BY KRAGOK AND THE DARK LEGION! ADD TO THIS FRACAS ATHAIR AND THE ANCIENT WALKERS, REMINGTON AND THE ECHIDNA SECURITY TEAM, STRYKER AND THE DINGOES, AS WELL AS SONIC AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS. BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE, AS A VILLAIN FROM THE NOT-TOO-DISTANT PAST MAKES HIS MOVE. IT'S**

**ALL OUT PANDEMONIUM IN TRUE KNUCKLES-FASHION! STORY BY KEN PENDERS WITH ART BY MANNY GALAN AND ANDREW PEPOY! ON SALE DECEMBER 1997!**

**AND NEXT MONTH: THE RETURN OF SUPER SONIC AND HYPER KNUCKLES!!!! 'NUFF SAID! ON SALE JANUARY 1998!**

CATCH YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE!

FREDDY



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #56  
ON SALE JANUARY 1998

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AS INCREDIBLE AS IT MAY SEEM, "END GAME" PART TWO RECEIVED EVEN MORE LETTERS THAN PART ONE. HERE'S JUST A SAMPLE OF WHAT WAS SAID...

DEAR SONIC PEOPLE,

I'VE JUST READ SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #48. IT WAS BEAUTIFUL! THIS ISSUE SEEMED INCREDIBLE FOR ME BECAUSE IT INCORPORATED MANY THOUGHT-FILLED AND DRAMATIC SCENES, ESPECIALLY CONCERNING INDIVIDUAL PERSONALITIES. ONCE AGAIN, I MUST SAY IT WAS GREAT. WHAT STARTED OUT AS JUST ANOTHER KID'S BOOK THAT YOU OFTEN FIND THE SCRIBBLING OF CRAYONS ON, HAS ELEVATED INTO A MUCH MORE SOPHISTICATED LEVEL WITHOUT LOSING THE KIDS. ORIGINALLY, I WAS IN LOVE WITH SONIC'S NETWORK CARTOON BECAUSE OF ITS INCREDIBLY-INVOLVED PLOTS. NOW THAT THE CARTOON IS NOT ON THE AIR, I AM SO GLAD THAT THE COMIC BOOK HAS TAKEN OVER ITS STORIES. THANKS.

RAVEN HOLISEE  
WHITEWATER, WI

**THAT'S A COMPLIMENT  
IF I EVER HEARD ONE. KEEP  
READING, RAVEN. IT JUST  
KEEPS GETTING BETTER.**

TO HEDGEHOG-MAN,

WAZ UP!! I JUST GOT DONE READING SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #48 AND I HAVE A QUESTION: HOW DID 'RO-BIG-BUTT' GET THE COORDINATES TO KNOTHOLE VILLAGE! DID KING ACORN GIVE THEM OR WAS IT IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG # 27 & #28 WHEN SONIC ALMOST LEAD ROBOTNIK TO KNOTHOLE. WELL, THAT'S ABOUT IT EXCEPT TO SAY THAT SONIC'S INNOCENT!

HOLLY MEOLA (AGE 12)  
PARADISE, PA

AS EXPLAINED BY DOCTOR QUACK IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #50, ROBOTNIK LOCATED THE ENERGY SIGNATURE OF THE DREAM-WATCHER COMING FROM KNOTHOLE IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #43. HE 'TUNED IN' TO THE FREQUENCY AND FOUND OUT ABOUT THE KING'S RETURN FROM THE 'ZONE OF SILENCE.' THAT'S WHEN HE BEGAN TO DEVISE A PLAN THAT WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION.

IT'S SCARY TO THINK OF IT BUT HE ALMOST WON. TOO BAD FOR HIM HE DIDN'T.

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!!! I MEAN, I'M A MAJOR, MAJOR SONIC FAN AND I HAVE ALL HIS COMICS. BUT THERE IS NO WAY YOU'RE GOING TO CONVINCE ME THAT SALLY HAS BEEN MURDERED. AND EVEN IF SHE WERE, SONIC WOULDN'T HAVE DONE IT! HE LOVES HER! I'M SURE HE'S BEEN FRAMED! IF SHE IS GONE FOR GOOD, WHERE WILL THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS GO TO ROBOTNIK? I DON'T THINK SO!

TIM VICE  
MELBOURNE, FL

**THANKS FOR BELIEVING  
IN MY INNOCENCE AS MOST  
OF MY FANS DID!**

DEAR ANTOINE,

I THINK RIGHT NOW WOULD BE A GOOD TIME TO QUOTE AMY ROSE IN SONIC #40. EXCEPT WITH ONE CHANGE: "SONIC IS NO VILLAIN; KING ACORN SHOULD BE CHILLIN'!" COME ON. DON'T YOU THINK BEING A FALSELY-ACCUSED CRIMINAL ONCE IS ENOUGH FOR ANYONE? AND EVEN YOU CAN'T BELIEVE THAT SONIC (ULP) KILLED SALLY. IT MUST HAVE BEEN ANOTHER OF ROBOTNIK'S ROBOT DUPLICATES OR SOMETHING. ANTOINE, I THOUGHT YOU WERE PRETTY COOL SINCE SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #24. OF COURSE, IF YOU STILL CONTINUE TO BELIEVE HE DID IT, THEN YOU'RE GOING TO LOSE POSSIBLY YOUR ONLY FAN. WELL, ONE MORE THING BEFORE I GO: DRAGO IS THE TRAITOR!!!

BRIAN "SLY" FOX  
ST AUGUSTINE, FL

FORTUNATELY, WE FOUND OUT ABOUT DRAGO JUST IN THE NICK OF TIME. AND WITH HERSHEY'S TESTIMONY, DRAGO'S GOING TO BE IN THE GULAG FOR A LONG TIME. AS FAR AS ANTOINE THINKING I WAS THE CULPRIT BEHIND SALLY'S FALL, HE WAS GOING BY WHAT HE SAW. BUT, I'M GLAD TO HAVE FOUND OUT LATER THAT HE AND BUNNIE TRIED TO CLEAR MY NAME WHEN THEY WERE SENT TO CROCBOT'S PRISON COMPOUND IN DOWNUNDA. BY THE WAY, IF YOU WANT TO FIND OUT HOW THEY

ESCAPED, CHECK OUT SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #4 COMING OUT IN JANUARY 1998!



HEY FREEDOM FIGHTERS,

THE COMIC SERIES "END GAME" IS A 'SONIC BLAST!' I CAN'T WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT ISSUE SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #49: "ESCAPE FROM THE FLOATING ISLAND" TO COME OUT. I'D LIKE TO ALSO MENTION THAT LIKE DANIELLE HARDY, I ALSO LOVE JAPANESE ANIME (JAPANIMATION). I WATCH THEM EVERY SATURDAY MORNING ON THE SCI-FI CHANNEL.

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I GOTTA TELL YOU, RUNNING AROUND LIKE A MANIAC FROM BOTH MY FRIENDS AND MY ENEMIES BECAUSE OF MY BEING FRAMED FOR SALLY'S SUPPOSED DEATH BY ROBOTNIK WAS NOT COOL! NO WAY. UH-UH. DON'T WANT TO DO THAT AGAIN.

**UNTIL  
NEXT  
MONTH,  
KEEP  
ON  
JUICIN'!**